

Acropolis Museum birthday – Greek poetry set to music in memory of Professor Dimitrios Pandermalis

On 20 June 2023, the Acropolis Museum celebrates 14 years of operation, and it will be the first time that among us will be missing the late Professor Dimitrios Pandermalis, who served as President of the Board of Directors of the Organization for the Construction of the New Acropolis Museum from 2000 until 2019 and as President of the Board of Directors of the Acropolis Museum from 2009 until 2022. Other than his great life achievement, which was the Acropolis Museum, Dimitrios Pandermalis dedicated a big part of his life to excavating and revealing the archaeological area of Dion. His love and connection to people of Dion was deep. He supported in various ways the cultural events of the area, including the Olympus Festival and the Center of Arts and Culture of Dion.

On the occasion of the Acropolis Museum's birthday **on Tuesday 20 June 2023**, to honor its late President, the Museum invited the **Youth Orchestra of Dion** to offer its visitors a **free** tribute to Greek poetry set to music, at the entrance courtyard **at 9 p.m.** The multi-member orchestra consists of young children, mainly schoolchildren and students, all sharing impeccable artistic skill, passion and inexhaustible talent. The performance will be led by the conductor Nikos Patris. Soloists will be Vassilis Lekkas, Gerasimos Andreatos, Zoe Papadopoulou and Babis Velissarios. The evening will be presented by Alexis Kostalas. Entrance to the concert is free.

On this day, the Museum exhibition areas will be open **from 9 a.m. until 12 midnight with a regular general admission ticket**. During the same hours, the restaurant of the second floor will be open with beautiful night views to the Acropolis.